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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**U.S. Customs and Border Protection** 

[1651-0076]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Customs and Border Protection

**Recordkeeping Requirements** 

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland

Security.

ACTION: 30-Day Notice and request for comments; extension of an existing collection of

information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection

will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management

and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction

Act of 1995 (PRA). The information collection is published in the Federal Register to

obtain comments from the public and affected agencies.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and must be submitted (no later than [INSERT

DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]) to be

assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on this

proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,

Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the OMB Desk

Officer for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, and

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sent via email to dhsdeskofficer@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional PRA information should be directed to Seth Renkema, Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of Trade, Regulations and Rulings, 90 K Street NE, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1177, Telephone number 202-325-0056 or via email CBP\_PRA@cbp.dhs.gov. Please note that the contact information provided here is solely for questions regarding this notice. Individuals seeking information about other CBP programs should contact the CBP National Customer Service Center at 877-227-5511, (TTY) 1-800-877-8339, or CBP website at https://www.cbp.gov/.

agencies to comment on the proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register (84 FR 26127) on June 5, 2019, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) suggestions to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) suggestions to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of

appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the request for approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

## **Overview of this Information Collection:**

**Title:** CBP Recordkeeping Requirements

**OMB Number:** 1651-0076

Abstract: The North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act, Title VI, known as the Customs Modernization Act (Mod Act) amended title 19 U.S.C. 1508, 1509 and 1510 by revising customs laws related to recordkeeping, examination of books and witnesses, regulatory audit procedures and judicial enforcement. Specifically, the Mod Act amended § 1508 by expanding the list of parties subject to recordkeeping requirements; distinguishing between records which pertain to the entry of merchandise and financial records needed to substantiate the correctness of information contained in entry documentation; and identifying a list of records which must be maintained and produced upon request by CBP. The information and records are used by CBP to verify the accuracy of the claims made on the entry documents regarding the tariff status of imported merchandise, admissibility, classification/nomenclature, value and rate of duty applicable to the entered goods. The CBP recordkeeping requirements are provided for by 19 CFR 163 and instructions are available at:

http://www.cbp.gov/document/publications/recordkeeping.

**Current Actions:** CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the burden hours or to the recordkeeping requirements.

Type of Review: Extension (without change)

Affected Public: Businesses

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 5,459

Estimated Number of Annual Responses per Recordkeeper: 1

**Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses: 5,459** 

Estimated Annual Time per Recordkeeper: 1,040 hours

**Estimated Annual Burden Hours:** 5,677,360

Dated: August 26, 2019.

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